

GREECE SILENT; BLOCKADE ON

NO DEFINITE NEWS OF REPLY TO DEMANDS OF THE ENTENTE ALLIES

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
LONDON, Nov. 22.—No definite news has been received here of Greece's reply to the entente allies' demands for guarantees for safety of the Anglo-French forces landed at Saloniki or for that of the Serbians who might be forced over the Greek frontier. One despatch from Athens, however, says that the Greek cabinet is disposed to accept the conditions laid down by the entente powers, except that condition requiring Greece to participate in the war, and that a solution of the whole difficulty may be expected immediately.

Meanwhile the blockade of Greek commerce has commenced and Italy, it is reported, is proceeding in the measure of restraint decided upon. This, with the news that the Serbians have won a victory over the Bulgarians northeast of Pristina, that the Bulgarians have delayed their march on Monastir and that the Austro-Germans are laboring under difficulties as a result of the wintry weather, has created a more hopeful feeling in the capitals of the entente allies. The British and French forces daily are being strengthened by men and guns landed at Saloniki, and part of the reinforcements are being sent to Monastir, where the Serbians also are reported to be concentrating and threatening the Bulgarians at Priplepe.

Rumania finds herself in much the same position as Greece, with both the entente allies and the Central powers bringing pressure to bear upon her. The Germans are asking Rumania to give assurances of her continued neutrality and also are offering her concessions if she intervenes in the war on the side of the Teutonic allies. With a big Russian army in Bessarabia, however, it is believed in military circles here, hardly likely that Rumania will accept the second alternative. On the whole it is expected that the firm attitude of the entente powers toward Greece will clear the Balkan situation before very long.

There is little news of importance from any of the other fronts. The Italians, by their continued offensive, are strengthening their positions around Gorizia, which it is believed cannot hold out much longer. On the western front the British and French artillery has become more active in Flanders and Champagne, which on previous occasions has been the signal for offensive movements. The Russians since they received the ground they lost on the river Styr, have been inactive except for minor attacks in the Divinsk region. The Petrograd correspondents, however, predict that more important events are impending.

Another flotilla of British submarines is reported to have arrived in the Baltic.

A dispatch received here from the representative of the British press at Saloniki, dated Sunday says:

The only troops of the entente allies which have thus far been in action in this war theater are the French. General Sarrail, commander of the French forces, on arriving at the scene of operations, took up the task with great energy.

"Without waiting for his whole force to be transported up country he boldly attacked the enemy with the purpose of effecting a junction with the Serbian forces holding Babuna pass."

The junction was within ten miles of being made. Then the Serbian army fell back before superior numbers and drew out of reach of the French.

"Responsibility for the failure to effect the junction rests neither with the French nor the Serbians but rather upon a number of circumstances of which not the least was the difficulty of transport over a single track, ill equipped line of railway which runs a crooked course from Saloniki with grass often growing between the rails."

"As soon as the Serbians drew back from the Babuna pass, the objective of the French offensive disappeared and they have been content since that time with defending their positions."

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WOMAN'S PEACE PARTY ACTIVE

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NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The Woman's Peace Party announced tonight that every woman's club of prominence in the country would be appealed to this week to send telegrams to President Wilson asking him to confer with neutral nations to urge peace in Europe. It was said that the clubs would be asked to send the telegrams before Thanksgiving day. It also was announced that Mrs. Henry Ford of Detroit, had donated \$10,000 toward the peace party's work.

STATE OF OREGON IS STORM SWEEPED

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
PORTLAND, Nov. 22.—Every portion of western Oregon and parts of eastern Oregon were storm swept today. Rain in torrents was the rule everywhere and winds approximating the proportions of a gale were reported from coast points. At Bandon the wind attained a velocity of 60 miles an hour.

The only fatality reported up to tonight, occurred in the Hood River valley, where a tree was blown across a ranch bunkhouse and wrecked it. J. Katayama, a Japanese workman, was killed, and O. H. Hall, a foreman, was seriously injured.

Willamette valley streams were rising rapidly tonight. At Alsea the Willamette river had risen four feet and was still rising. From a score of Willamette valley points reports were made of damage by wind to lighting, poles and outbuildings of light construction.

At Hammond, the little town near the mouth of the Columbia river, which was in grave danger from rising seas Saturday night, the crisis was reported safely passed. A survey of the damage today showed the one large store building had been undermined by the action of the waves. A. B. Hammond, the

FED CHILD "RAT MEAT"

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 22.—Dily Schappacher, an eleven-year-old semi-orphan who for two months was mistreated, starved and enslaved by a couple who took her from St. Louis to a farm near Netherland, Mo., was poisoned before being put on a train for St. Louis several days ago, according to the belief of two physicians who are attempting to restore the child to health and reason.

An eight-year-old brother of Dily and the girl, herself, who today became rational during brief intervals, declared Dily had been forced to eat "rat meat" after their foster mother had poured kerosene over the girl and prevented by the approach of someone from crying out.

The physicians suspect that the girl was forced to eat meat treated with rat poison.

One Ivy and his wife, Martha, who obtained possession of Dily and her brother from their widowed father last August are now in jail at Caruthersville, Mo., charged with kidnapping, assault and with harboring an even more serious crime against the child.

SERBIANS PLANNING FINAL STAND ON THE KOSSOVO PLAIN

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

AUSTRIAN HEADQUARTERS, (Via London) Nov. 22.—With the occupation of Novipazar by the Germans, the Sanjak has been almost entirely wrested from the Serbians and the fighting turns more and more toward the ancient Kossovo battle field and around its principal city, Pristina.

The troops of the Central powers are encountering the bitterest opposition of the entire Serbian campaign, and every battle before it is won becomes a hard hand to hand conflict. The Serbians apparently are

planning on a final stand on the Kossovo plain.

As the Austro-Germans press forward into territory where the population is more friendly, they are daily able to improve the conditions for caring for the wounded, as well as to strengthen their lines of communication, establish order and bring about a larger degree of comfort for troops and animals.

The Austrians and Germans estimate the Serbian army still numbers between 150,000 and 150,000 but that it is diminishing by five thousand men daily.

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WAR SUMMARY

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To the recent presence of Field Marshal Kitchener on the Gallipoli Peninsula, probably will be attributed the resumption of activity on the Dardanelles operations. From German and Turkish sources came reports of violent fighting on the tip of the peninsula in the neighborhood of Sedidji Bahr. The Cologne Gazette characterizes the new operations initiated by the entente allies as "a great offensive movement."

The armies of the Central powers are still pressing the defending forces hard in western Serbia, but the Serbs and Montenegrins are offering the strongest resistance. The Montenegrins are giving battle to the invaders along the Drina and Lim rivers and at several points are said to have repulsed them, while in the Ibar valley, Serbian rear guards assumed the offensive.

The Austro-Hungarians as they approach the Kossovo plain, in the region of Pristina are being met by the Serbs, frequently in hand to hand encounters, but they still continue to push forward and are now declared to be approaching Pristina both from the north and the east.

Although both the Berlin and Vienna communications daily announce relatively large captures of men, a despatch from Austrian headquarters estimates that the Serb army numbers between 150,000 and 150,000 men.

It is reported that the Serbs at Monastir are receiving reinforcements and that the British are sending up men to the front through which the Austrians had hoped to drive the Serbs across the border into Greece or westward into Albania.

Additional German and Austrian munitions are being landed daily by the entente allies at Saloniki.

Hard fighting is still in progress on the Austro-Italian front with the big game of the Italians working hard on Gorizia and adjacent sectors. According to Vienna the Austrians have driven the Italians from all the positions they had captured around Osavla and also ejected the Italians who entered the Austrian lines in the district of San Martino.

Little is going on either in France or in Russia except artillery battles and shelling operations. British and French troops have captured the city of Tibati in the German colony of Kamerun, west Africa where the Sultan and populace are said to have welcomed them.

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REFRIGERATOR CAR CONCEALS MURDER

TRUCKER, Cal. Nov. 22.—The body of an unidentified man was found tonight in the ice tank of a refrigerator car near Sparks, Nevada. Officers said that they thought it probable that the man had been murdered some time ago in an eastern city as the car was returning to the west as an "empty." The car was sent to Reno where an inquest will be held.

PRESIDENT TO MEET SUFFRAGISTS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The opposing forces on the woman suffrage question will seek the support of President Wilson during the first two weeks in December. An engagement was made today for Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, of New York, president of the National Association opposed to woman suffrage, and a delegation to see the president December 14. Arrangements already had been made for 200 suffragists to call at the White House December 6.

The National Association opposed to woman suffrage will open its annual convention here December 12 and during its session will plan the work to be done before Congress this winter. The suffragists announce that an amendment similar to the one which failed of passage at the last session of Congress will be introduced in December.

The president is known by his close advisors to hold to his position of favoring woman suffrage, but opposing any suffrage amendment to the federal constitution.

ALLIES OFFER AID TO CHINA

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

PETROGRAD, (Via London) Nov. 22.—The foreign office, in connection with the propositions made to China by the entente allies, says the Chinese government requires money to meet obligations contracted two years ago and which are now accruing. The entente allies, it is stated, are willing to advance the money on condition that the Chinese government will take decisive measures to check disorders instigated by Germany.

The foreign office points out that Chinese villages were looted by native troops, early in the summer destroyed a German band which was proceeding from Peking to Manchuria with the supposed purpose of cutting the railways and that Mongolians reported that they had destroyed a similar band in September on the borders of Mongolia and Manchuria.

REFINANCING IS AUTHORIZED

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Refinancing of the Oakland, Antioch and Eastern railway, was authorized today by the state railway commission. The new plan includes the issuance of \$1,195,000 in first mortgage bonds and \$262,000 in promissory notes. The notes will be secured by \$238,000 in bonds. They will bear 6 per cent interest and will be issued at face value to stockholders for cash and will mature on January 1, 1918.

Bond and note holders will be permitted either to buy the bonds for cash or they may be issued at not less than 50 per cent of their face value, instead of earned bond interest, and used by the company for capital purposes.

The application for permission to refinance the road was made on June 18, last.

THREE MATES ACT IS CONSTITUTIONAL

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The constitutionality of the so-called "three mates act," which requires all steamships bound for a cruise of more than four hundred miles to carry three mates instead of two, was sustained by Judge Chas. M. Hough, of the United States District Court today. The opinion was rendered in connection with the suit brought by the government against the owners of the steamship Edgar F. Luckenbach.

The government suit sought to impose a penalty of \$500 on the owners of the Luckenbach for alleged violation of the federal law. It is the first suit of its kind brought in this district. The defendants assert that the law was unconstitutional, asserting that it worked a hardship among the coastwise shippers.

CHARGE MISUSE OF THE MAILS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—E. F. Zuern, of San Francisco, and formerly from Oakland, Seattle and Portland, was arrested here today by United States officers, and was charged with having used the mails to defraud by means of an alleged fraudulent commission business.

According to Commissioner Francis Krull, Zuern handled dairy products for out-of-town producers, failing to remit money received for goods received.

Zuern, it is said, was arrested recently on a similar charge at Hollister, California, but was acquitted in court.

SEVEN KNOWN DEAD EIGHTEEN MISSING IN CARNIVAL TRAIN WRECK

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

COLUMBUS, Ga., Nov. 22.—Seven persons are known to have been killed. Eighteen others are missing and more than thirty injured as a result of a head-on collision six miles west of here today between a passenger train and a special train of 28 cars carrying the Con. T. Kennedy Carnival company.

Con. T. Kennedy, proprietor of the company, said late tonight he believed the list of dead would reach 24 and "possibly more." It would be tomorrow, he said before the list could be checked up. No more bodies had been recovered late tonight.

The bodies of some of the missing are thought to be under overturned cars of the cars of the show train. Twelve of the carnival company's cars were reported destroyed by fire and others still were burning tonight. Two cars containing trained animals were said to have been destroyed, killing many of the animals.

The collision occurred on a straight stretch of track the passenger train being en route from Birmingham to Macon, and the show special from Atlanta to Phenix City, Alabama.

A misunderstanding of orders is said to have been responsible.

The known dead and injured, except trainmen, were persons traveling with the carnival company. The list of dead follows: Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Kempf of Kansas City, a showman known as "Whitey," A. H. Hawkins, Peoria, Ill.; George Chadwick, address unknown; Johnson, address unknown. Hawkins, Chadwick and Johnson were employed by the carnival company.

W. M. Batchelor of Milwaukee, carnival employee, died tonight at a local hospital.

Engines of both trains were demolished by the impact. The passenger train carried three steel coaches, all of which escaped serious damage. The cars of the carnival train, however, piled upon the engines and immediately caught fire. The chief performers of the carnival company rode in twelve coaches, which made up the rear end of their train.

Mr. and Mrs. Kempf and their young daughter, Hazel, were in one of the cars caught fire. The woman tossed her daughter out of a window, the child escaping with cuts and bruises. Mrs. Kempf and her husband were burned to death in the wreckage.

It was said tonight, none of the animals except some horses and dogs escaped being burned to death.

CLIFTON PROBE BEGINS

(Special to The Republican)

CLIFTON, Ariz., Nov. 22.—The long expected federal investigation of the causes leading up to the Clifton strike, began here in earnest this morning following the arrival of Commissioners Joseph Meyers and Hywell Davies, of the United States department of labor, who are to have charge of the probe.

Meyers and Davies arrived here Saturday afternoon and at once began the work of taking testimony and gathering data concerning the conditions which have prevailed in the Clifton-Morrell-McCaff district, and also in various other copper camps in this state.

The hearings are being conducted behind closed doors and while no information was given out as to the reasons why the strike is proceeding, it is understood the federal agents are making inquiries concerning wage scales, living conditions,

hours of work and other kindred subjects. Officials of the miners' organizations have been subpoenaed to appear before the investigators and give information. The hearings are being held in the court house and none are admitted except those who are actually giving testimony. The inquiries will continue here for several days longer, and many business men and a large number of miners will be called.

It is said Secretary Wilson desires a thorough investigation of not only the Clifton situation but of the conditions which prevail throughout the entire copper industry in the state and consequently the present quiz is to be far-reaching in its scope, and will probably bring to light information about which the relations between the miners' organizations and the operators of the copper properties throughout the state.

BELIEVE EXPLOSION CAUSED BY ENEMIES OF GREAT BRITAIN

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

PARRY SOUND, Ont., Nov. 22.—An explosion which is generally attributed by officials to alien enemies, occurred tonight in the plant of the Canadian Explosives Company, Ltd., which occupies nearly three square miles at Nobel, seven miles north of here. Five one story buildings used for the storage of cordite, which the company has been manufacturing in large quantities, were destroyed.

Fifteen hundred men are employed in the plant but so far as known there was no loss of life, the employees having quit work before the explosion.

POLICE AND SOLDIERS IN STREET RIOT

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

LONDON, Ontario, Nov. 22.—Eight members of the Thirty-third Overseas Battalion were arrested today by many policemen and soldiers who were injured tonight in a riot between members of the battalion and the city police. The trouble started when a party of Thirty-third men got into an altercation with a traffic officer. A squad of police rushed to the scene and were joined by hundreds of soldiers. The police used their batons freely while the soldiers responded with bricks, stones and swigger sticks.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—Elizabeth Hochsberger was right and the doctors were wrong, as she proved by a skitgraph.

Eight months ago Mrs. Hochsberger had typhoid fever. She recovered, but her stomach did not feel right. Finally it dawned on her in a dim way that during the delirium of fever she had swallowed a table knife.

There were about 400 people attached to the carnival company, which had been exhibiting in Atlanta during the past week.

Another Report

MACON, Ga., Nov. 22.—A message received here from a press representative of the Kennedy Shows said six persons were killed, twelve missing and twenty injured in the wreck of the show train near Columbus.

The train carried a lion, two bears, six camels and a number of trained horses and dogs. Many of the animals were said to have been burned to death.

AERO SQUADRON IS HAMPERED

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

WACO, Texas, Nov. 22.—Although a hazy atmosphere and a heavy wind from the south prevented the setting of a speed record in today's flight of the United States Aero Squadron traveling from Fort Sill, Okla., to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, no accidents marked the flight. The machines were said to be in readiness to undertake the flight tomorrow to Austin, the fourth leg of the journey.

The six aeroplanes reached Waco at 10:40 a. m. having made the 85 miles between Fort Worth and Waco in one hour and fifty minutes.

REMOVAL OF TWO RECOMMENDED

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

PITTSBURG, Nov. 22.—The dismissal of superintendant S. A. Diehl, of the Bureau of building inspection, his assistant, Wm. Leseman, and H. Coster, head of the department of fire prevention, is recommended in a report made to congress today by the special committee which investigated the north side factory fire which took the lives of 13 persons.

The committee found that these men, together with Director of Public Safety, Charles S. Hubbard, "have been guilty of official negligence, in not having inspected this building and other buildings in which a number of workers have been employed."

The matter of alleged neglect of duty of the safety director was left to the council.

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ROOSEVELT AS AN ADVISER OF CHAS. S. MELLEN

As President of the United States, According to Testimony, Advised Purchase of Road, However, With Reservations

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Theodore Roosevelt, as president of the United States, again appeared as adviser of Charles S. Mellen in New Haven affairs—the acquisition of the Boston and Maine railroad—in testimony adduced today at the trial of eleven former directors of the New Haven road, under the Sherman anti-trust law.

Mellen represented the former president as having in 1907 advised the purchase of the Boston and Maine with the reservation, however, that "if you do wrong you need not come back to me."

The advice was given after Mellen had had an interview, at Roosevelt's suggestion, with Franklin K. Lane, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and explained to him that there was danger of the Boston and Maine "falling into the hands of aliens" if the New Haven did not take it. By aliens, the witness said, he meant the Canadian Pacific or Grand Trunk railway of Canada, and that Chairman Lane agreed with him that such an eventuality was dangerous from a military point of view.

From this point the government today went further into the more or less familiar history of the New Haven's troubles in getting permanent control of the Boston and Maine, which culminated in 1909 in the passage by the Massachusetts legislature of a law enabling the New Haven legally to control the 109,000 shares of Boston and Maine stock it had acquired.

The government met a setback, however, when the court ruled that no evidence as to possible corruption of the legislature was admissible. Judge Hand held that such evidence was alleged in the indictment as having been used by the New Haven to gain its alleged monopoly of New England's transportation traffic.

The setback came when Attorney Batts inquired of Mr. Mellen who the New Haven's legislative agent was in 1908. This was at the time when the New Haven had been retained by an act of the Massachusetts legislature called the Cole bill from exercising any control over its Boston and Maine holdings. The government wanted to show that at this time the New Haven, through legislative activity, was preparing a way for the enabling bill passed the following year. Mr. Mellen was allowed to state the New Haven employed legislative agents and counsel and that Timothy E. Byrnes made reports to them on legislative matters. No action affecting the New Haven was taken in the enabling act in 1908, said Mr. Mellen, although every "statesman in Massachusetts" had some legislation he wanted passed to regulate railroads.

The famous Billard deal, whereby it is alleged the New Haven fictitiously transferred its Boston and Maine holdings to John L. Billard of Meriden, Conn., after the Cole legislative act expired, also was the subject of testimony, but the occasion too, of long argument by counsel, which was unfinished when court adjourned for the day. The defense objected to the admission of the testimony on the ground that Billard and his concern, the Billard Company, were merely the vehicles in a transaction which had absolutely nothing to do with interstate commerce, and that the shares of Boston and Maine that came into his possession, through his investment, were legitimately sold by him to the Boston Railroad Holding company, the concern through which the legislature permitted the New Haven to own the Boston and Maine.

GAVE LIFE FOR OTHERS

[Republican A. P